

NOTE ON THE DATES OF PUBLICATION OF THE EARLIER PARTS
OF CAPTAIN THOMAS BROWN'S *ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE
CONCHOLOGY OF GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND*, 2ND EDITION.

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SOME five or six years ago I came across a volume made up, evidently, of some few parts of the above-mentioned work. The front and back covers were formed of the original front wrappers of parts 2 and 4. These covers bear no date of issue, but fortunately, pasted inside, are two labels of the "Lincoln Library", bearing between them the following inscription, partly in manuscript: "Not to be circulated but on £1 0s. 0*d.* deposit, March 14th, 1838."

On taking the second stitching to pieces and piecing letterpress and plates together according to the original stitching, I found I had the first four parts with their plates. The title on the cover reads as follows:—

"Illustrations | of the | Conchology | of | Great Britain and
Ireland :—with the | Description and Localities of all the Species, |
Marine, Land, and Fresh Water. | Drawn from Nature by | Captain
Thomas Brown, F.L.S.M., W.S.M.K.S. | President of, the Royal
Physical Society, etc. | Second Edition, greatly enlarged |
Edinburgh | Published by Maclachlan & Stewart, 64, South Bridge; |
Glasgow: John Smith & Son, 70, St. Vincent Street; | Dublin:
William Curry Jun. & Co.; | Smith, Elder, & Co., 65, Cornhill, and
W. S. Orr & Co, Paternoster Row, | London. | To be had of all
other Booksellers."

At the top right- and left-hand corners are the price and part numbers respectively. The contents of the parts are:—

Part 1, pp. 1-8, plates i-iv.

„ 2, pp. 9-12, plates v-viii.

„ 3, pp. 13-16, plates ix-xii. Plate ix originally numbered iii,
and altered; an x being struck over the second and third i's.

„ 4, pp. 17-20, plates xiv, xvi, xxii, xxvi.